S.No.	*State/UT*	*No. of Accidents*
9.	Maharashtra	8
10.	Rajasthan	2

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) All transport contractors carry their products under a comprehensive/third party insurance. No. separate compensation is paid by the Oil Companies.

Alledged Irregularities in Neyveli Lignite Mines

3573. SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large quantity of lignite has been found missing from the Neyveli Lignite mines;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to check the theft and pilferage there;

(d) whether any irregularities have been detected in the functioning of the Neyveli Lignite mines; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the action taken to curb the irregularities?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI .B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) to (e). On 14th and 15th November, 1991, Mine II of NLC got flooded on account of cyclone followed by heavy rains. During on-the spot visit by the Deputy Minister for coal at Neyveli on 23-11-1991, some discrepancy in the stock of lignite at Mine II/Thermal Power Station II came to notice. A one-man Committee under JS&FA of this Ministry has been appointed to enquire into the discrepancy noticed. On receipt of the report of the JS&FA, further appropriate action will be taken.

Rinder Pest Disease

3574. SHRIMATI D.K.BHANDARI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state

(a) the States and Union Territories which have been declared rinder-pest free; and

(b) the details of assistance provided to eradicate the rinder pest disease during the last three years, State/Union Territory-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) No State/Union Territory has been declared rinderpest free, although the incidence of the disease has not been reported from many States/Union Territories for varying periods of time.

(b) Details of Central financial assistance provided to States Union Territories during the last three years are given in the enclosed Statement.